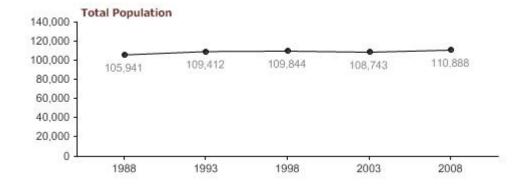
La Porte County, IN Highlights

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<u>Overview</u>	Population	<u>Education</u>	Commuting	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Income</u>	Firm Size

Population

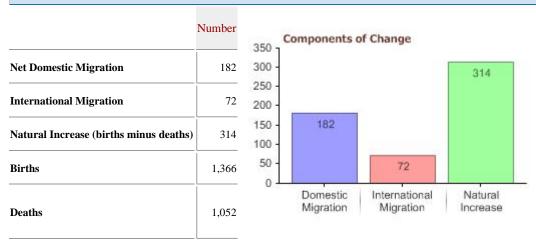
A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time							
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008		
Total Population	105,941	109,412	109,844	108,743	110,888		
Change Since 1988		3,471	3,903	2,802	4,947		
Pct. Change Since 1988		3.3%	3.7%	2.6%	4.7%		



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008



Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

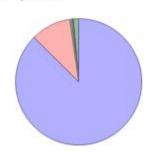
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	6,736	6.1%
School Age	18,842	17.1%
College Age	9,047	8.2%
Young Adult	30,115	27.3%
Older Adult	29,864	27.1%
Older (65 plus)	15,183	13.8%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	370	0.3%
Asian Alone	527	0.5%
Black Alone	11,287	10.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	36	0.0%
White Alone	95,982	87.0%
Two or More Race Groups	1,585	1.4%

Population by Race





Hispanic or Latino		
Non-Hispanic or Latino	105,186	95.4%
Hispanic or Latino	4,601	4.2%

Source: US Census Bureau

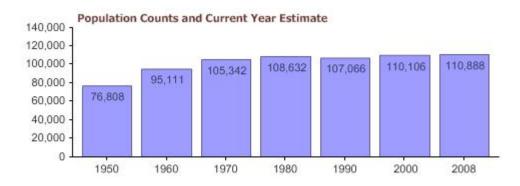
Households in 2000					
	Number	Pct. Dist			
Total Households	41,050	100.0%			
Family Households	28,597	69.7%			
Married with Children	9,262	22.6%			
Married without Children	12,831	31.3%			
Single Parents	3,808	9.3%			
Other	2,696	6.6%			
Non-family Households	12,453	30.3%			
Living Alone	10,365	25.2%			
Average Household Size	2.68				
Average Family Household Size	3.85				

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

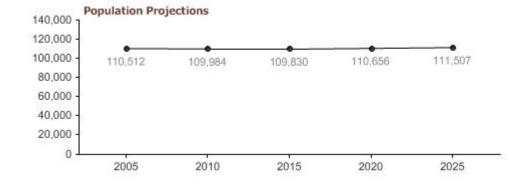
Population Numerical Pct. Chg.

		Chg.	
1950	76,808	NA	NA
1960	95,111	18,303	23.8%
1970	105,342	10,231	10.8%
1980	108,632	3,290	3.1%
1990	107,066	-1,566	-1.4%
April 2000	110,106	3,040	2.8%
2008	110,888	782	0.7%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections							
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025		
Population Projections	110,512	109,984	109,830	110,656	111,507		
Change Since 2005		-528	-682	144	995		
Pct. Change Since 2005		-0.5%	-0.6%	0.1%	0.9%		



Source: Indiana Business Research Center